



PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN THE APPLICATION OF:

CONFIRMATION NO.: 5773

ALBERT GORDON ANDERSON

CASE NO.: CL1452 US CIP

SERIAL NO.: 09/997667

GROUP ART UNIT: 1626

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EXAMINER: DEBORAH C. LAMBKIN

FOR: PREPARATION AND USE OF GAMMA-BUTYROLACTONES AS CROSS-LINKING AGENTS

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Charm
10/15/03

AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Sir:

Introductory Comments

This is submitted in response to the Notice of Allowance dated May 19, 2003. Applicants respectfully request that this application be withdrawn from issue and submit the following in support thereof. A Request for Continued Examination under 37 CFR 1.114 and fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.117(e) accompany this response.